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Assigning Other Billing Data to  
Use in Commerce with Business

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2004 Applicants  
respectfully request reconsideration of the application, in view of the amendments  
and remarks to follow.

**Amendments to Claims** – begin on page 2 of this paper;

**Remarks/Arguments** – begin on page 16 of this paper.